मधुबनी में कमला बलान नदी पर पुल का निर्माण

2254. श्री रामदेव भण्डारी : क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भारत नेपाल सीमा पर बिहार के मधुबनी जिले सहित कई जिलों के अधिकांश लोगों को सड़क द्वारा राज्य के अन्य भागों में पहुंचने में कठिनाईयों का सामना करना पड़ रहा है क्योंकि झंझारपुर के समीप कमला बलान नदी पर और भुतडा-बलान नदी पर कोई पुल नहीं है ;

(ग) क्या वर्षा ऋतु के दौरान राज्य के इस क्षेत्र में नदियों में बाढ़ आने के कारण इस भाग का राज्य के अन्य भागों से सड़क संपर्क पूर्ण रूप से टूट जाता है ;

(ख) क्या सरकार इन नदियों पर पुल बनाने का विचार रखती है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाईटलर) : (क) से (घ) भारत सरकार मुख्यतः राष्ट्रीय राजमार्गों और उन पर बने पुलों के विकास और रख-रखाव के लिये जिम्मेदार है । अन्य सभी सड़कों के लिये संबंधित राज्य सरकारें जिम्मेदार होती हैं । प्रश्नगत पुल किसी राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग पर नहीं पड़ते हैं । इसके अतिरिक्त, प्रश्नगत पुल के निर्माण इस समय कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है ।

Passenger and Cargo Ships in India

2255. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of ships fleet under Government;

(b) what is the number of passenger ships and that of cargo ships; and

(c) what is the efficiency, accountability and profitability of Indian ships as compared to those of European countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The total number of Merchant Navy fleet of Government of India including Public sector undertakings is 194.

(b) There are 13 passenger ships and 72 cargo ships.

(c) No study has been carried out on the efficiency, accountability and profitability of Indian ships as compared to those of European countries.

Vehicle population of India

2256. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the vehicle population of India *vis-a-vis* world vehicle population;

(b) what is the ratio of road accidents per thousand vehicles in India *vis-a-vis* that of USA, UK Canada and Japan; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to minimise the road accident ratio in the country and what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPART (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The total number of registered motor vehicles in India as on 31.3-1993 is 252.49 lakhs. The world (98 countries) vehicle population for the year 1990 as per information available through unofficial sources is 5829.82 lakhs.

(b) Ratio of road accidents per thousand vehicles as per information available for the year 1991 are as under:

Name of Country	*Accident ratio*
India	13.75
U.S.A.	11.59
U.K	9.62
Canada	8.54
Japan	8.56

(c) The details of the steps taken to minimise road accident ratio are given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

The steps taken/being taken to minimise accident ratio in the country

1. Formal training in a driving school is made a pre-requisite for issuance of licence to drive transport vehicles.

2. Maximum safe laden weights have been prescribed for trucks including light commercial vehicles.

3. Maximum speed limits have been prescribed for all vehicles except light motor vehicles.

4. Uniform intervals for checking the fitness of vehicles have been prescribed throughout the country.

5. It is prescribed that road safety devices would be fitted in the vehicles viz. direction indicators with blinker system for vehicles, special lables on carriages carrying dangerous or hazardous goods.

6. A National Road Safety Council has been set up for formulation of road safety measures. State Goernments were also requested to set up State level road safety councils.

The State Governments have also been advised to take action on following lines-

1. Strict and rigid enforcement of traffic rules and regulations.

2. Regular special drive against rash and negligent driving, driving without driving licences, drunken driving, defective head-lights, over-speeding, overloading etc.

3. Regular prosecution of violation through issue of notices.

4. Introduction of blinekers|signals at accident prone areas.

5. More Police presence in accident prone areas.

6. Special morning drives and night mobile patrolling.

7. Painting of bus boxes, yellow boxes.

8. Special night checking on Highways.

9. Special drive against buses, HTVs, TSRs, Taxis etc.

Modernisation of Rajabagan Dockyard

2257. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether modernisation of ship-repair facilities of Rajabagan Dockyard was sanctioned in December, 1992;

(b) what is the progress made uptill now in this respect;

(c) whether the progress is made in conformity with what was anticipated;

(d) if not, what are the reasons for tardy progress; and

(e) what steps are contemplated for early completion of the modernisation programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The first phase of demolition and disposal of old buildings and structures has been completed. Rehabilitation